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SUBJ: TRUST FUND AND AID TO MSA'S

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1. IN FOLLOW-UP TO EMBASSY'S DISCUSSION WITH MOF OFFICIALS RE TRUST FUND (REF B), EMBASSY SOUGHT VIEWS ON B/P PROSPECTS OF MOST SERIOUSLY AFFECTED COUNTRIES (MSA'S) AND UN'S MSA LIST FROM KIKUCHI, DEPUTY DIRGEN, ECONOMIC COOPERATION BUREAU, FONOFF. KIKUCHI INDICATED THAT FONOFF HAD NOT UNDERTAKEN ANY STUDIES OF MSA'S B/P SITUATION AND OUTLOOK AND EXPRESSED SOME DISSATISFACTION WITH UN'S MSA LIST. HE SAID THAT APPARENTLY THOSE COUNTRIES COMPLAINING THE LOUDEST HAD BEEN INCLUDED, WHILE OTHERS SUCH AS EGYPT, VIETNAM AND NEPAL HAD NOT. HE CONCEDED, HOWEVER, THAT LATTER COUNTRIES MIGHT QUALIFY AS LLDC'S BUT NOT LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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MSA'S.

2. KIKUCHI WENT ON TO DESCRIBE HIS VIEWS (PRESUMABLY REFLECTING FONOFF POSITION) ON GENERAL QUESTION OF AID TO MSA'S. HE WAS CRITICAL OF FUN SPECIAL FUND, NOTING THAT ALTHOUGH ONLY NORWAY HAS AGREED TO CONTRIBUTE, A GROUP IS WORKING ON ESTABLISHMENT OF RULES AND PROCEDURES FOR FUND. SIMILARLY, HE SHOWED DISTINCT LACK OF ENTHUSIASM FOR UN EMERGENCY OPERATION (WHICH PREBISCH SEEKING TO LIQUIDATE WITHIN MONTHS OR SO) APPARENTLY ON GROUNDS THAT IT REPRESENTS SHORT-TERM EFFORT AT SOLUTION TO LONG-TERM PROBLEM. INDEED, KIKUCHI ASSERTED THAT NO NEW AID DISBURSING ORGANIZATIONS WERE JUSTIFIED, INCLUDING TRUST FUND PROPOSED BY USG, UNLESS THESE WOULD ATTRACT CONTRIBUTIONS FROM OIL PRODUCING COUNTRIES. AS IN PAST CONVERSATIONS, KIKUCHI EXPRESSED STRONG FEELING THAT OIL PRODUCERS SHOULD DO FAR MORE TO ASSIST MSA'S.

3. WITH RESPECT TO JAPAN'S AID TO MSA'S, KIKUCHI SAID THIS WOULD CONTINUE THROUGH EXISTING CHANNELS, I.E. PRIMARILY BILATERAL AID BUT ALSO SUCH MULTILATERAL CHANNELS AS IDA. GOJ HAS SET NO SPECIFIC TARGET BEYOND GENERAL POLICY OF INCREASING ODA TO MSA'S. KIKUCHI NOTED THAT JAPAN HAD PLEDGED ADDITIONAL DOLS 100 MILLION TO MSA'S LAST SUMMER. WHILE THERE IS PROBLEM OF IDENTIFYING ADDITIONALITY, JAPAN HAS NOT MET GOAL, ALTHOUGH THERE ARE STILL FEW MONTHS LEFT. COMPARING ODA DISBURSEMENTS TO MSA'S IN 1974 TO 1973, KIKUCHI SAID THERE HAD BEEN RELATIVELY LITTLE INCREASE.
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